

**SOCIAL WORKER SECTION
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 10, 2013**

PRESENT: Nicholas Smiar, Barb Viste-Johnson, Elizabeth Krueger

STAFF: Dan Williams, Executive Director; Yolanda McGowan, Legal Counsel (*Present during Closed Session*); Matt Niehaus, Bureau Assistant; Sharon Henes, Paralegal; and other Department staff

CALL TO ORDER

Nicholas Smiar, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. A quorum of three (3) members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments to the Agenda:

- Item “K-10” (open session) **ADD** “MPSW 3 Scope”

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26, 2013

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to approve the application minutes of February 26, 2013 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2013

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to approve the minutes of February 27, 2013 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHOOL REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL

- MOTION:** Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to reject Kaplan University's request for approval. The statistics course does not meet the requirements of MPSW 3.13(1)(a)2.c, specifically that the course appears to be missing the social research methods component. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to approve SOC 201 – Social Welfare Policy and Services, PSY 209 – Human Behavior and the Social Environment, SOC 301 – Social Work Methods I, SOC 302 - Social Work Methods II, and SOC 303 – Social Work Methods III from Silver Lake College as meeting the social work training certificate equivalency requirement. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to recognize the Applied Social Science: Sociology/Anthropology Concentration degree offered by UW-Stout as a sociology degree. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATION/ADMINISTRATIVE RULES MATTERS

- MOTION:** Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to acknowledge that the Social Worker Section has reviewed its rules pursuant to Executive Order 61 and has no recommendations other than what has already been proposed by the Joint Board. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to refer the topic of the definition of psychotherapy by the individual sections and in the statute to the Joint Board as an agenda item for the next Joint Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to authorize Nicholas Smiar and Barb Viste-Johnson as the Section's representatives to the assembly committee for review of MPSW 1, 2-8, and 20 for the Right the Rules committee meeting(s). Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION:** Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, that the Scope Statement on MPSW 3 will be amended to reflect temporary credentials only. Motion carried unanimously.

SCREENING PANEL REPORT

- MOTION:** Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to recognize that the Section accepts the report of the screening panel that 13 cases were reviewed and 8 were opened. Motion carried unanimously.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g), to review applications, deliberate on proposed stipulations, deliberate on administrative warnings; deliberate on hearings or appearances for denial of applications; review monitoring cases; review DSPS cases, and consult with legal counsel. Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Smiar-yes; Elizabeth Krueger; and Barb Viste-Johnson-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Section convened into Closed Session at 1:03 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to reconvene into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Section reconvened into Open Session at 4:01 p.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to affirm all motions made in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATION MATTERS

1:00 P.M. Appearance – Michelle Schaf, Applicant

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to approve the application of Michelle Schaf for her LCSW credential after all other requirements have been met. Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST OF EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE THE CE REQUIRED FOR 2013 RENEWAL

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to grant the request of A.S. for extension of time to complete the continuing education required for 2013 renewal until January 1, 2014. The continuing education hours shall not to be counted for purposes of the 2013-2015 certification period. The ethics requirement must be met live or by live webinar. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to grant the request of B.S. for extension of time to complete the continuing education required for 2013 renewal until July 1, 2013. The continuing education hours shall not to be counted for purposes of the 2013-2015 certification period. The Section requires proof of completion of continuing education hours. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to grant the request of E.H. for extension of time to complete the continuing education required for 2013 renewal until July 1, 2013. The continuing education hours shall not to be counted for purposes of the 2013-2015 certification period. The ethics requirement must be met live or by live webinar. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to deny the request of S.H. for waiver of the limit on online continuing education. The Section grants the request of S.H. for extension of time to complete the continuing education required for 2013 renewal until September 1, 2013. The continuing education hours shall not to be counted for purposes of the 2013-2015 certification period. The ethics requirement must be met live or by live webinar. Motion carried unanimously.

MONITORING MATTERS

MOTION: Elizabeth Krueger moved, seconded by Barb Viste-Johnson, to grant the request of Bradley W. Knapp, APSW for Termination of Suspension. Motion carried unanimously.

DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED FINAL DECISIONS AND ORDERS

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to reject the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Stipulation and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Cheryl K. Rotherham (08 SOC 011, 09 SOC 028, and 09 SOC 041). The Section refers the case materials to the DLSC for unlicensed practice by the Respondent and for potential violations by the psychiatrist to the Medical Examining Board. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Stipulation and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Cynthia L. Weiss (11 SOC 060). Motion carried unanimously.

CASE CLOSINGS

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to close the case #12 SOC 116 for No Jurisdiction (L2). Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Barb Viste-Johnson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Krueger, to close the case #12 SOC 124 for Insufficient Evidence (IE). Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.